

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for requesting access for a user to an application in a further network, wherein an entity providing said application can be accessed only through a first network or [[and]] a second network, the application being independent of the first and second network, and wherein the user attempted to access the application at least once through the first network, the method comprising the following steps:

granting the user access to the second network,

receiving a request for accessing the application from the user,

detecting by the second network that the user already contacted the application via the first network,

requesting by the second network from the first network an identifier that has been generated and used by the first network to identify the user towards the entity that provides the application,

receiving the requested, generated identifier by the second network, and

sending a request, by the second network, for accessing the application and the generated identifier received from the first network, towards the entity providing the application to identify the user to the entity that provides the application, the identifier being used by the first network is the same identifier used by the second network.

2. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the first and the second network are run by a different operator.

3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of sending authentication information to the first network.

4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the entity providing the service stores a profile of the user at reception of the first attempt of the user to access the service, wherein the profile is associated to the generated identifier sent from the first network and wherein the second network uses the same generated identifier for the user towards the entity providing the service in order to achieve that the stored profile is used for the user.

5-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) A system for granting user access to an application in a further network, wherein an entity providing said application can be accessed only through a first network or [[and]] a second network, said application being independent of the first and second networks, and wherein the user attempted to access the application at least once through the first network, comprising:

means for granting said user access to the second network,

means for receiving a request for accessing the application from the user within said second network,

means for detecting, by the second network, that the user already attempted to access the application via the first network,

means for requesting from the first network, by the second network, an identifier that has been generated and used by the first network to identify the user towards the entity that provides the application,

means for receiving the requested, generated identifier, from the first network, by the second network, and

means for sending a request, by the second network, for accessing the application towards the entity providing the application, said request including the generated identifier received from the first network to identify the user to the entity that provides the application, the identifier being used by the first network is the same identifier used by the second network.

8. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 7, wherein the first and the second network are run by different operators.

9. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 7 further comprising means for sending authentication information to the first network.

10. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 7, wherein the entity providing the service stores a profile of the user at reception of the first attempt of the user to access the service, wherein the profile is associated to the generated identifier sent from the first network and wherein the second network uses the same generated identifier for the user towards the entity providing the service in order to achieve that the stored profile is used for the user.

11. (Currently Amended) A system for handling a user request towards an external application wherein a network node providing said application is only accessible from a first communication network or [[and]] a second communication network, the external application being independent of the first and second communication networks, said second communication network comprising:

means for receiving an access request from said user wherein said access request is for accessing said application associated with said network node;

means for determining that the user had previously attempted to access said application using said first communication network;

means for requesting user information associated with said user from said first communication network, said user information including an identifier generated and used by the first communication network to identify the user towards the network node that provides the application;

means for receiving said requested user information, including the generated identifier from said first communication network; and

means for requesting access to said network node from said second communication network using said received user information, including the generated identifier, to identify the user to the network node that provides the application, the identifier being used by the first network is the same identifier used by the second network.

12. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 11 wherein said user information including said generated identifier is used by said first communication network in communicating with said network node.

13. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 11 wherein said user information includes user preference information used by said first communication network in communicating with said network node.

14. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 11 further comprising means for sending authentication information from the second communication network to the first communication network.

15. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 11 wherein said means for determining that the user had previously attempted to access said application using said first communication network further comprises means for receiving an indicator from said user.

16. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 11 wherein said means for determining that the user had previously attempted to access said application using said first communication network further comprises means for determining that the user had been ported from said first communication network to said second communication network.

17. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of storing the generated identifier in the first network.